

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-27 and 44-48 remain in the application for further prosecution. Claims 28-43 have been cancelled. The Applicants confirm that the inventorship for the remaining claims has not changed.

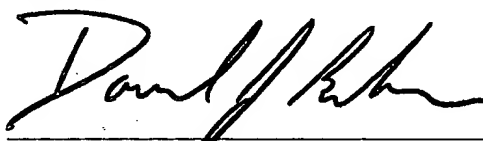
The Applicants reserve the right to file the cancelled claims in a divisional application.

Conclusion

It is the Applicants' belief that all of the claims are now in condition for allowance and action towards that effect is respectfully requested.

If there are any matters which may be resolved or clarified through a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the number indicated.

Respectfully submitted,



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